

REMARKS

By this Response, no claims are added, amended or canceled. Accordingly, after entry of this Response, claims 19-22 will remain pending in the patent application.

Claims 19-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) based on Yamamoto *et al.* (U.S. Pat. No. 5,786,864) (hereinafter “Yamamoto”) in view of Kim *et al.* (U.S. Pat. No. 5,561,471) (hereinafter “Kim”). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 19 recites, *inter alia*, “a first caption decoder configured to decode the first caption information and first control information representing a displaying portion for displaying the first caption information, a display starting position, a character size, a character spacing, a line spacing, and a block for displaying one character, from the first caption character information separated at the separating section; [and] a second caption decoder configured to decode the second caption information and second control information representing a displaying portion for displaying the second caption information, a display starting position, a character size, a character spacing, a line spacing, and a block for displaying one character, from the second caption character information separated at the separating section.” As conceded by the Examiner on page 4, lines 6-7 of the Office Action, Yamamoto fails to disclose, teach or suggest these features. However, Applicant respectfully submits that there are additional features that are absent in Yamamoto.

Yamamoto fails to disclose, teach or suggest, for example, “a displaying control section configured to display the first caption information and the second caption information, which are superimposed on the image information, concurrently without overlap, by processing at least one of the first control information and the second control information.” Yamamoto merely discloses a device wherein different types of text data are sent to a multiplexer, which then superimposes these data on the image data. (*See* col. 7, lines 40-47). Yamamoto further discloses that the resulting compressed data are sent to a demultiplexer and the decompressed data are sent to a superimposer. (*See* col. 7, lines 49-54). Yamamoto, however, fails to disclose, teach or suggest that the superimposer is configured “to display the first caption information and the second caption information, which are superimposed on the image information, concurrently without overlap”, as recited in claim 19. In fact, Applicant respectfully submits that Yamamoto teaches away from this feature since Yamamoto clearly indicates that only one of the available text data is selected by the switch 142. (*See* col. 7, lines 54-60). Yamamoto states for example: “any one of the three types of text data is selected by the switch 142. According to this embodiment, the user

is capable of selecting a caption in the desired language from among the captions in three languages." (See col. 7, lines 54-58, emphasis added).

Kim fails to remedy the deficiencies of Yamamoto. Namely, Kim fails to disclose, teach or suggest a first caption decoder, a second caption decoder or a displaying control section as recited in claim 19. Kim merely discloses an apparatus and a method for controlling caption display, in which position of a caption to be displayed can be moved on a screen. (See col. 3, lines 60-64). Kim does not teach displaying concurrently multiple captions. Therefore, a reasonable combination of Yamamoto and Kim cannot result, in any way, in the invention of claim 19. Claim 20 is patentable over Yamamoto, Kim or a combination thereof at least by virtue of its dependency from claim 19 and for the additional features recited therein.

Claim 21 is patentable over Yamamoto, Kim or a combination thereof for at least the same reasons provided above in connection with claim 19. Namely, neither Yamamoto nor Kim teaches or suggests a method for data reproduction comprising, *inter alia*, "displaying both the first caption information and the second caption information, which are superimposed on the image information, concurrently without overlap, by processing at least one of the first control information and the second control information," as recited in claim 19. As mentioned previously, Yamamoto teaches away from such feature, and Kim merely teaches displaying one caption. Therefore, the combination of Yamamoto and Kim cannot result, in any way, in the invention of claim 21. Claim 22 is patentable by virtue of its dependency from claim 21 and for the additional features recited therein.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 19-22 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) based on Yamamoto and Kim are respectfully requested.

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The rejection having been addressed, Applicant requests issuance of a notice of allowance indicating the allowability of all pending claims. If anything further is necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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